NO. 25551

IN THE INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEALS

OF THE STATE OF HAWAI'I

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STATE OF HAWAI'I, Plaintiff-Appellee, v CRAIG KOJI MUKAI, Defendant-Appellant

APPEAL FROM THE FAMILY COURT OF THE THIRD CIRCUIT (FC-Cr. No. 02-1-0121)

## SUMMARY DISPOSITION ORDER

(By: Burns, C.J., Lim and Nakamura, JJ.)

Craig Koji Mukai (Defendant) appeals the October 30, 2002 judgment of the Family Court of the Third Circuit (family court), the Honorable Terence T. Yoshioka, judge presiding, that convicted him of abuse of a family or household member.

After a meticulous review of the record and the briefs submitted by the parties, and giving careful consideration to the arguments advanced and the issues raised by the parties, we hold that the family court did not abuse its discretion in controlling the scope of Defendant's cross-examination of the complaining witness. Hawaii Rules of Evidence (HRE) Rule 403 (1993); State v. Balisbisana, 83 Hawaii 109, 114, 924 P.2d 1215, 1220 (1996).

Therefore,

## **NOT FOR PUBLICATION**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the October 30, 2002 judgment of the family court is affirmed.

DATED: Honolulu, Hawai'i, July 13, 2005.

On the briefs:

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